

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2025

Eyes to the Skies – An Evening of Astronomy at Our July Meeting

Our next Petersfield Evening WI meeting promises to be truly out of this world! Join us on Tuesday 15th July at 7.30pm in The Studios at The Petersfield School, where we'll be welcoming Steve Bosley, Chairman of the Hampshire Astronomical Group, for a fascinating evening exploring the universe. Steve brings with him a lifelong passion for astronomy and a wealth of experience, having been elected a Fellow of both the Royal Astronomical Society and the British Interplanetary Society. With a background in physics and astrophysics, Steve is a well-respected voice in the astronomy community and regularly speaks at local events, universities, and festivals.

His talk will take us on a journey through the cosmos, touching on everything from meteors and moon cycles to dark sky festivals and the role of astronomy in our everyday lives. Whether you're a seasoned stargazer or simply curious about what's above us in the night sky, this promises to be an engaging and accessible session for all.

As always, guests are very welcome—so bring a friend and prepare for an evening that's truly stellar!



Walking netball starts on Thursday 4th September 7pm. Join the What's App group for more details.

Next Meeting

TUESDAY 15TH JULY

7.30-9.30PM

DOORS OPEN 7.15PM

REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER THE SPEAKER

THE STUDIO

THE PETERSFIELD SCHOOL

THE CAUSEWAY

PETERSFIELD GU32 3LU

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Dates for the diary on upcoming events - more details to follow

Saturday 27th September 9-1pm

WELLNESS RETREAT - A day to relax, recharge and reconnect. £49

Friday 10th October 6-8.30pm

VEGAN COOKERY CLASS & SUPPER - Learn, cook and feast together. £50

Saturday 17th October

MEDITERRANEAN SUPPER CLUB - A delicious evening of sunshine flavours at Gallery 30. Cost TBC

Saturday 6th December

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA - Festive treats and good cheer. Cost TBC

Monday 8th December

WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP - Get crafty and Christmassy! Cost TBC

**Buddy Walk to meeting:
Meet at the library at 7pm**

**Mark your calendars for the next meeting dates
Tuesday 19th August | Tuesday 16th Sept**

August Meeting Preview – From Hollywood to Hampshire with Nicole Small 🎭

Get ready for a dazzling behind-the-scenes journey at our August WI meeting, as we welcome the incredibly talented Nicole Small, costume designer for film, theatre, opera, and ballet.

With a career spanning over 40 years in both the UK and USA, Nicole has worked extensively in Hollywood and London's West End, bringing characters to life through costume on stage and screen. Her impressive portfolio includes all five Pirates of the Caribbean films, numerous Tim Burton productions, acclaimed Netflix shows, and closer to home, a decade of designing costumes for the Petersfield Shakespeare Festival.

Her talk, From Hollywood to Hampshire, will offer an entertaining and insightful look into the world of costume design—from fittings and fabric choices to backstage drama and working with some of the biggest names in the industry. It's a fascinating glimpse into how costume contributes to the success of iconic productions.

Join us for what promises to be a fun, inspiring, and theatrical evening—full of stories, sparkles, and surprises!

📖 One Tree Books is Back – in a New Home!

Following the recent devastating fire on Lavant Street, we're delighted to share that our wonderful WI supporter, One Tree Books, will be reopening as early as next week at their new location: 33 Chapel Street.

Can't wait? You can still support them online by ordering through www.bookshop.org and selecting One Tree Books under "Choose a Bookshop"—they'll receive a share of the sale. Let's show them some love! ❤️

Creativity Blooms at Paint & Sip Evening 🎨🌸

It was a full house at Gallery 30 this week as members gathered for a wonderful evening of art, conversation, and creativity at our latest Paint & Sip session. Guided by the talented local artist Charlotte Brightwell, we spent the evening learning how to create delicate floral watercolours—many of us picking up a paintbrush for the first time in years! 🌷

It was a truly relaxing evening that captured the WI spirit—trying something new, encouraging one another, and celebrating creativity in all its forms. We're already looking forward to the next one!



Bakers at the ready!!! 🍰🍪

A quick reminder for those helping with our stall at the Petersfield Car Boot Sale on Sunday 27th July — please deliver your delicious bakes on the day or drop them off the day before.

Email Michele at micheleharpur@grp-solutions.com to arrange delivery, and if anyone else would like to get involved, we'd love to have your help. Homemade cakes, biscuits, and savoury treats are always a crowd-pleaser and help raise vital funds for our WI activities. Thank you! ❤️

QR code to our bookings page for events and volunteering



WELLNESS RETREAT

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INSPIRING WOMEN

A morning to Nurture, Inspire and Recharge

Beginner friendly home workout with Tessa
Boost strength, mobility, and joint health with easy, effective exercises designed for women at every stage of life.

Eat Well, Age Well Workshop with Mel
Learn simple, practical nutrition tips to support muscle, bone, brain and heart health without overwhelming changes or strict diets.

Sound Bath & Meditation with Jess
Relax deeply with a guided meditation and sound journey to rebalance body, mind, and spirit.

Cost: £49 per person
Limited spaces now available
BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE!



Saturday 27th
September



Henry Warren Hall
Nyewood GU31 5HX



9.00 AM -
1.00 PM

**Refreshments
included**



Tessa Fanshawe

Personal Trainer & Nutrition Advisor
Tessa Fanshawe Fitness



Mel Conder

Menopause & Nutrition Coach
Hormonally Nourished



Jess Khushi

Yoga & Sound Healing Instructor
Khushi Yoga

**Head to the Petersfield Evening WI Booking Page to secure
your place. On confirmation please pay via the WI Bank AC.**





Petersfield Evening WI
Mark 110 Years of
Friendship,
Community &
Empowerment

We'd love you to join us as we come together to celebrate 110 years of the WI with our special group photo to mark this historic milestone.



Tuesday 16th Sept, 2025
6.30pm - 6.45pm followed by our
usual meeting



Corner of the High Street
opposite the Petersfield War
Memorial

Subject to weather conditions



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